39. All grades of ferro Manganese Slag.

40. Ferro Manganese (other than Ferro Manganese containing carbon less than 0.05%).

41. Silico Manganese (Ferro Silica Manganese).

42. Ferro Chrome/Charge Chrome containing carbon less than 0.03% and nitrogen bearing ferrochrome/ Charge chrome.

43. Siiico Chrome all grades (Ferro Silico Chromium).

Revision on Prices of Bullion under Scheme of Export of Gold and Silver Jewellery

2630. DR.C. SILVERA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the prices of bullion under the scheme of export of gold and silver jewellery have been revised;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) to (c). Presumably, the question relates to price of gold /silver supplied by State Bank of India under the "Gold and Silver Jewellery Export Promotion Scheme". Under this Scheme, the price charged by the State Bank of India to the exporters is the actual international price at which gold/silver is purchased by it from abroad or Mint *plus* service charges, exclusive of sales tax. This price, therefore, will be varying according to the variations in the international prices of gold/silver.

[*Translation*]

Central Assistance to State Road Transport Under Takings

2631. SHRI ARJUN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Central assistance provided to the State Road Transport Undertakings during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether a quarterly review of the physical and financial performance of these undertakings has been made by the Union Government during the above period; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The details of capital contribution provided to State Roads Transport Corporations by Central Government during the last three years are given below:-

(Rs in crores)

Name of the SRTC	*1988-89*	*Name of the STRC*	*1989-90*
Uttar Pradesh	17.25	Uttar Pradesh	4.74
Rajasthan	2.83	Rajasthan	1.60
Kerala	1.23	Maharashtra	4.66

(Rs in crores)

Name of the SRTC	*1988-89*	*Name of the STRC*	*1989-90*
Maharashtra	3.68	Karnataka	1.41
Karnataka	5.63	Andhra Pradesh	0.80
Andhra Pradesh	3.20	Orissa	0.39
Orissa	1.58	Gujarat	8.40

Name of the SRTC	1990-91
Rajasthan	3.49
Kerala	0.31
Maharashtra	1.95
Gujarat	14.25

(b) and (c). All the State Road Transport Corporations are under the control of the concerned State Governments. The performance of State Road Transport Corporations is reviewed on a regular basis taking into account the following key factors:-

1. Vehicle productivity.
2. Staff productivity.
3. Fuel efficiency.
4. Passenger Kilometer per bus per day.
5. Operating ratio of finance, and
6. Operating cost per 100 passenger Km.

Declaration of Ballia-Allahabad Road as National Highway

2632. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any proposal to declare Ballia-Allahabad road as a National Highway in view of the heavy traffic plying on ths route;

(b) if so, when this proposal was received; and

(c) the action so far taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

[*English*]

Use of Foreign exchange by Companies with foreign Shareholdings

2633. SHRI KARIA MUNDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the name of companies with foreign shareholdings which were permitted to use foreign exchange amounting to more than Rupees one crore during 1990-91 for expenses abroad;

(b) whether the Government propose to examine the expenditure incurred by such companies to verify the proper utilisation of foreign exchange; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?